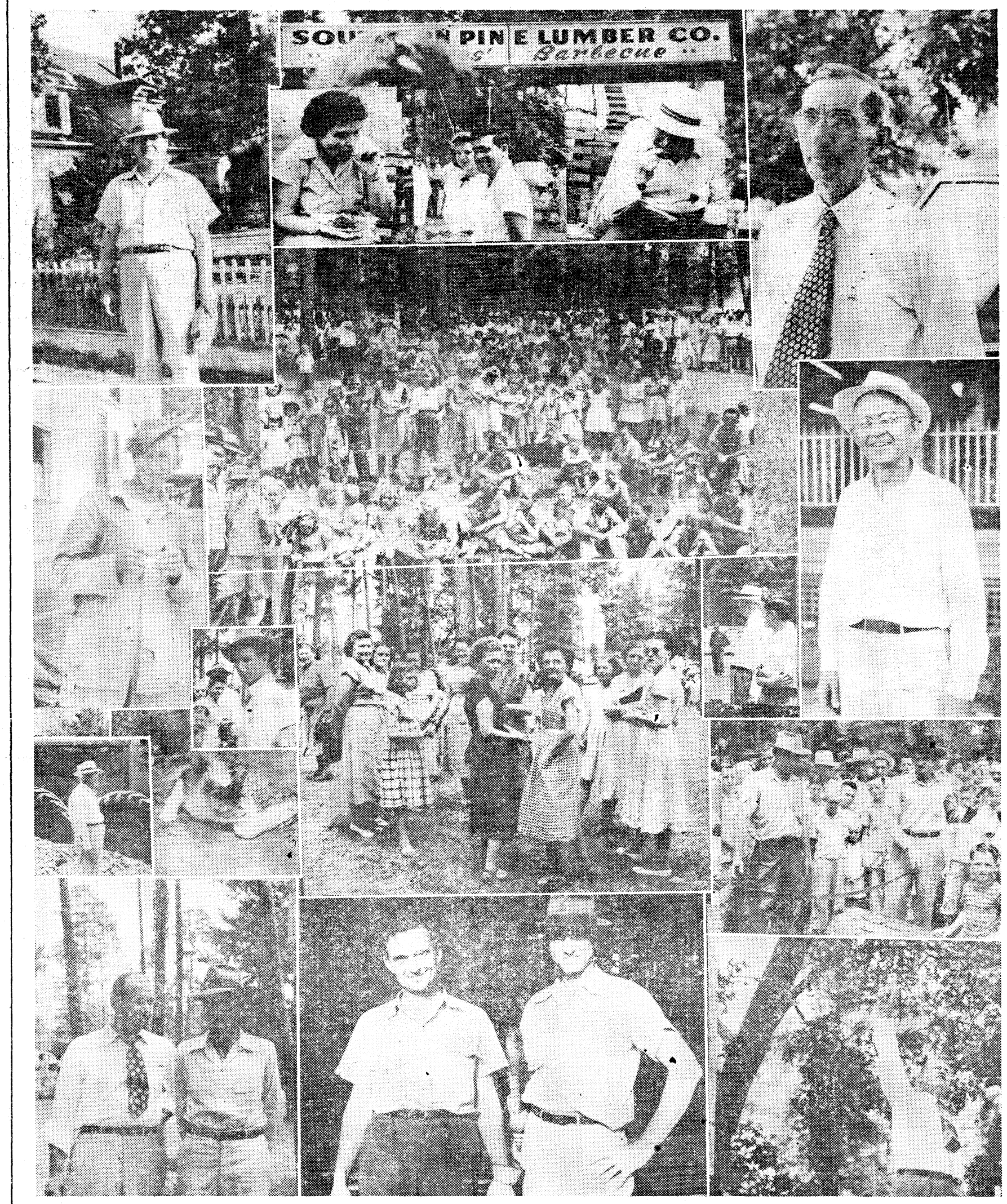
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Looking 'Em Over at Diboll With Cameraman Daniels . . .



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Jim Hogue Spent Entire Career With Southern Pine

Jim Hogue is 71 years of age and during his entire life time has never worked for any company but Southern Pine Lumber Company. And he came here quite by accident.

It seems that Jim—who lived at Cold Springs in San Jacinto County where his daddy owned a ranch — caught a train there in 1900 when he was 24 years of age with his destination Nacogdoches and his ambition to go to school and get an education. Somewhere around Livingston an old friend of his named Vinson also got on the train. Vinson happened to be assistant manager of the store at Old Emporia, one mile South of Diboll. Somehow he managed to talk Jim Hogue into getting off the train with him there and after they had looked around Emporia for a while they walked on up to Diboll.

Diboll at that time had a population of about 400. There was one mill, a circular saw rig, a small planer, smoke kilns, and one mill pond. Watson Walker was the manager of the establishment, so Jim decided he would call on him that night and ask for a job because he said he just liked the looks of the place and decided he had better make his fortune and go to school at home. He found Mr. Walker and applied for something on the railroad in the way of work. Mr. Walker told him that he looked a little light to him but that he would try him out on a temporary basis because one of his men happened to be off, and Jim Hogue began his career as a fireman on the switch engine. Southern Pine Lumber Company at that time had two locomotives, the old one spot and the two spot — the latter being the woods switch engine and the former worked around the plant at Diboll and where ever else needed. The TSE at that time was not here at all; nothing but the Southern Pine Track and the two dinky locomotives.

Jim fired the switch engine for four years then ran it at night switching the planer for a year. He then went on to the Southern Pine Lumber Company's main line as a brakeman and conductor on the log train and part of the time as fireman and brakeman both. Titas Moody was the engineer on the log train and Jim says that very often he and Titas were the only people on it — Titas running with Jim firing and acting as brakeman at the same time. Back in those days they were hauling from the old Bonner camp and six or seven loaded log cars constituted a train.

About 1907, Jim says that E. C. Durham came to Diboll as manager of the newly built TSE and the Southern Pine track combined. At that time Jim was firing the Old No. 4 with pine knots and slabs and he says the first thing he requested of the new manager was that they be given some other type of fuel. Sure enough, pretty soon the road acquired another locomotive, then another, switched from pine knots to coal, then finally to oil which was, in those days a fireman's dream.

Jim finally worked up to the job as conductor on the log train and extra brakeman on the local. He worked as conductor until he was retired in 1946 on a combined railroad and Southern Pine Lumber Company pension. He and Mrs. Hogue now operate a boarding house in Diboll and anybody who has ever eaten there will testify that the food is absolutely out of this world. In fact, many salesmen make it a point to arrive in Diboll around noon just so they can eat at Mrs. Hogue's. The food is delicious, plentiful, and in such wide varieties that a stranger eating there thinks surely it is some sort of a very special banquet when, of course, it is nothing more than her usual bountiful table.

Jim Hogue can tell you hundreds of stories about the old days on the TSE but one of the funniest is the tale about Bob Cook and the lizard.

It seems that one day the local was stopped at Blix and Jim went into the phone booth there to call in for orders. He said that everybody knew that Bob Cook was more afraid of a lizard than he was of a rattlesnake — in fact, you could actually run him out of the locomotive by simply getting on board with a lizard in your hand. Anyway, Jim, while telephoning, noticed a green lizard on the switch stand. Before getting back on the train he caught said lizard and after Cook had started up and attained the speed of about 25 or 30 miles an hour, Jim went up to the engine, slipped up behind Bob in the cab, and dropped the minature reptile down the engineer's back.

Bob jumped out of the engineers seat leaving the throttle where it was, ran out on the running board of the locomotive alongside the boiler snatching at his jumper trying to get it off in frantic haste. Finally he succeeded and threw the jumper from the locomotive thinking the lizard was in it. But lo and behold, the lizard had run down into Bob's britches so off came the britches which he also threw from the engine while holding on to the hand rail with the train still making thirty miles an hour.

This happened in the middle of the winter and the sight of the brave engineer standing on the running board with his underwear flapping in the cold wintry breeze, while he struggled shivering back to the cab of the locomotive, was unquestionably the funniest sight he ever witnessed throughout his long career as a railroad man.

In the meantime, Cook got the train stopped, backed up about a mile and a half, and Jim says he personally went out and recovered his pants and shirt for him. The engineer's only comment was "I will never ride another train as long as I live that Jim Hogue is on."

Jim also remembers many anecdotes involving D. D. Devereaux. One time Jim says that Dred was going out to the Neches River bridge on Southern Pine's road with a crew of men and with six brand new cross cut saws on a trailer car. About a mile out of Diboll Dred observed one of the men of the crew — a man he had just hired that morning—who had jumped off the car and was running through the woods with one of the new cross cut saws on his shoulder. He was wearing tennis shoes, and as Dred put it, "Could out run a turkey." Jim says that Dred — when he saw the man taking off with the saw—cut loose with a string of cussing like he has never heard before or since, summing it all up by waving his arms and shouting "I'll never hire another so-and-so as long as I live who wears tennis shoes." And

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I Might Be Right

Today the annual vacation of Southern Pine Employees begins and everybody who has worked ninety five percent of the time made avilable to them during the past year will receive forty hours pay and be given the entire week off. A few employees in maintenance crews will work around on the plant and get their regular pay plus forty hours extra.

For three years now Southern Pine Lumber Company has given to its employees a weeks vacation with pay as a gesture of appreciation to those who stayed on the job at least ninety five percent of the time made available to them.

You know, there is a great deal of differnce between companies that employ a large number of men like Southern Pine does. Some companies do not give vacations to their employees simply because they aren't financially strong enough to pay everybody forty hours time without forty hours production to compensate for it. Other companies give vacation with the attitude of "This is a gratuity — a gift that we are handing you out of the goodness of our hearts." Then there is occasionally found a company like Southern Pine Lumber Company that says "A weeks paid vacation will be given all our employees who have worked at least ninety five percent of the time made available to them during the past twelve months, and will begin on July 31st. We are giving this vacation not because we have to, not because we just want to be good fellows, but because YOU MEN HAVE EARNED IT." That is our companies attitude — and it is an attitude that we should all appreciate because a great many other companies either don't give a vacation at all, or if they do they don't always look at it in the same spirit that our company does.

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In the next issue of the Buzz Saw we hope to have our new Southern Pine trade mark on the front page if we can get it in color. If not, we will put it in the Buzz in black and white with a story describing it. Anyway, during the next week you will all see this design on our trucks, buses, and various other types of equipment. Decals are now being made to be delivered about the first day of August and will be a circle 16" in diameter with a white star in the middle on a blue background. A pine tree in green will be in the top of the star and "Southern Pine Lumber Company, Diboll, Texas" across the face of the design in blue. We think this new Southern Pine Trade Mark is a honey and believe you will agree.

Former residents of Diboll who come back here from time to time nowdays on visits are amazed at the changes being made in our town. First, they see the new housing project down near the highway on the South side where the Company is building some of the nicest residences to be found in any saw mill town anywhere. In the colored section of town they see the first of many new houses being built for colored employees houses that would probably rent for $75.00 a month in Lufkin but which are available to Southern Pine Employees for approximately $18.00 per month. Next, they see the street improvements all over town where the drainage has been corrected, new culverts have been installed, gutters made, the streets widened and topped with an asphalt mixture to eliminate the dust and give us smooth wide streets for the first time in the history of Diboll. They see the work being done preparatory to the laying of the concrete slab that will begin at the new highway north of town to come down by the TVN and the picture show, turn at the office building and connect back up with the highway south of town.

Of course, they go in the recently remodeled store building and see an up to date brightly lighted supermarket and food store, together with a remodeled men's department, drug store, and furniture department. All say that there is just not anything to compare with Southern Pine Lumber Company's store in this part of East Texas in a town anywhere near the size of Diboll.

In addition to all these things, they see our new company ambulance parked by the office and ready to go on a twenty four hour basis, day or night. They see our brand new steel-bodied labor bus with a capacity of 20 men and completely equipped with ice box, saw rack, and ax rack. This new labor bus is one of five which have been ordered to replace the wooden buses which have been in use by this company and most every other lumber company throughout East Texas for many years. It will be a much safer vehicle in which to ride and will provide woods men with something they have never been provided with before in bus-comfort. (To use Arthur Temple, Jr.'s exact words: "If the rest of us can ride on cushions the woods men can ride on them too.")

In other words, just as soon as the other steel buses can be delivered, the company will have no more wooden labor buses. All will be modern, steel bodied, comfortable buses and this will be one of the greatest steps forward made yet by Southern Pine. The new labor buses are not only safer and more comfortable, they look good. And when anybody sees them on the highway they will naturally say "Southern Pine Lumber Company is ten miles ahead of anybody else." . . . And they will certainly be right.

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Local Officials Re-Elected

Two local races of interest to the people of Diboll on July 24th, were those of Jay Boren and Eugene (Hungry) Baker, for constable of Precinct 5 and His Honor Judge George Johnson in the Justice of the Peace race with Talmage Arrington and R. D. McVicker.

Final tabulation showed Jay Boren the winner in the Constable's race over Baker by a vote of 481 to 271, while Judge Johnson won out over both his opponents with a total of 461.

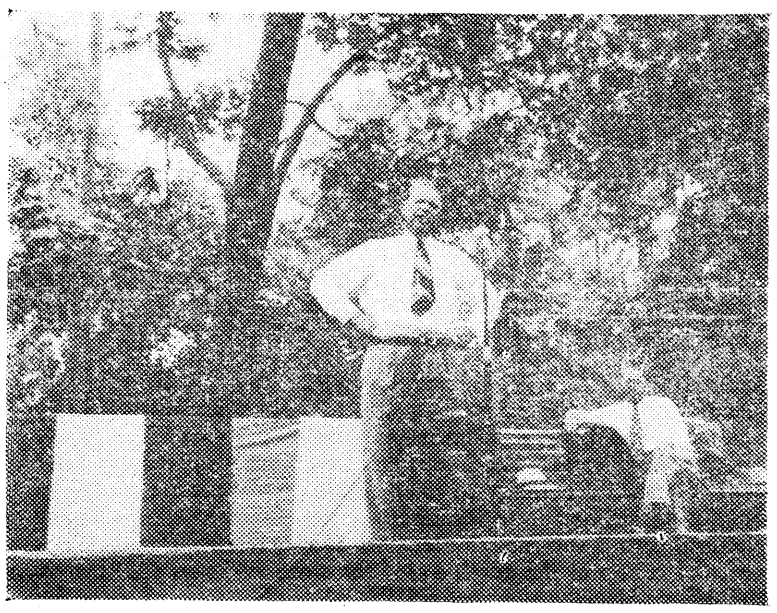
Judge Johnson, incidentally, campaigned on his gray mare, "Old Gray," known locally as the Sawmillers Citation — a familiar sight on the streets of Diboll carrying the court leisurely along bareback waving at his constituents.

We congratulate Jay and the Judge on their resounding victories at the polls!

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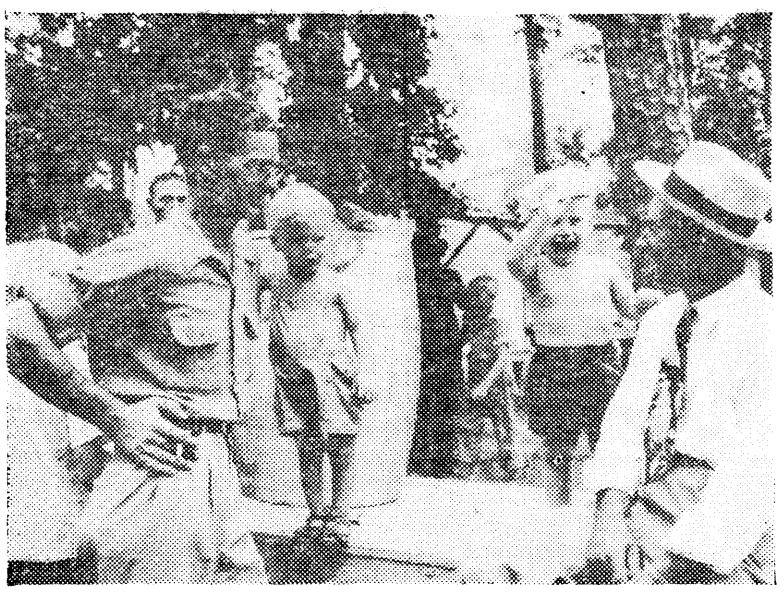
Panoramic Views of Southern Pine's Gigantic Independence Day Barbecue



Willie Trevathan and Henry McCollum, right, square off in the saw contest while the big crowd looks on.

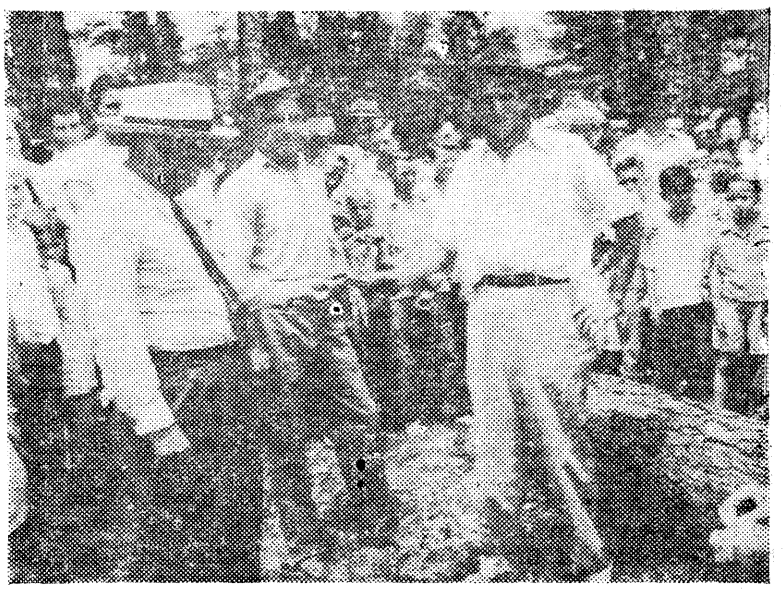
Martin Dies, left, gets things started with a stirring Independence Day address that held the audience spellbound for approximately forty-five minutes.





Winners of first prize in the sawing, Willie and Henry, receive the cash prize of five bucks from Richie Wells. Right,

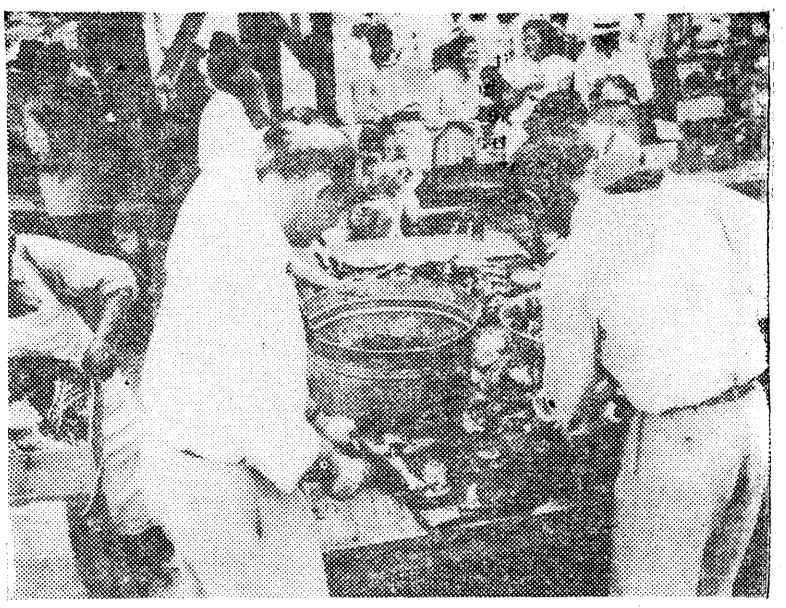
Tommie Farley and Jack Cook Sweeney seem to be enjoying it immensely.

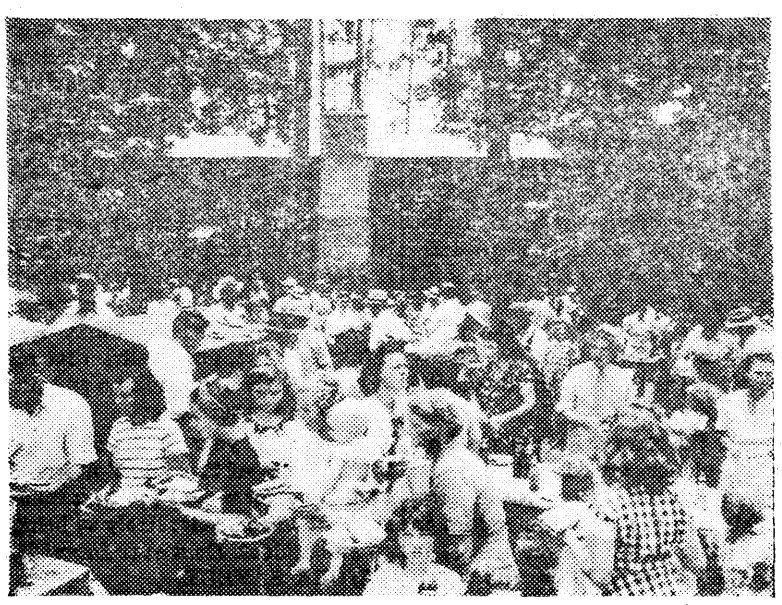




Arthur Temple, Jr., right, manager of Southern Pine, gets behind the serving tables and slices off the barbecue while

A. C. Phillips and Joe Carr keep more than a thousand pounds hot and ready.





Two shots of the crowd of approximately 2000 gathered at the Diboll Boy Scout Grounds for the big event.



By Working Together We Can Make Diboll a Model Saw Mill City—Let's Get Together and DO THE JOB!

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RAT TALES

By GEORGE (RAT) JOHNSON

On December 25, 1876, the good Master sent one of his faithful storks with a beautiful baby to be delivered down south. A hard freeze came up and the stork had motor trouble. He got snow bound and finally on December 27 he crossed the Mississippi river and couldn't go any farther, so he left the baby at the home of J. C. Purdy. The Purdy's were amazed when they saw him, but decided to keep him anyway. They named the little fellow Walter.



After about two years the parents decided to mark Walter and turn him loose. Walter started fishing in the Mississippi which, incidentally, constituted one boundry of the Purdy land. He says he was one of the best hunters and fishermen on the River and did it all without a gun and without a fish hook.

His principal weapon was a smoothly rounded rock and according to Purdy, he could hit a coon or a squirrel between the eyes even when he was on the highest limb of the highest tree. As for fishing, he used traps. One particular trap he set by a big cypress tree in the Mississippi. The trap disappeared and a year later he found it with a cat fish in it that weighed 137 pounds. He claims that he had so many other fish in the trap that the cat fish lived all that time by the simple process of eating the others one by one.

seems that Mr. Purdy's father-in-law was also with Kirby Lumber Company and the consensus of opinion leads me to believe that he made Purdy take off afterPurdy had lured his beautiful daughter into the bonds of matrimony. At Pineland he stayed a long time and raised a nice family of girls. He has two married daughters and one single and three grandchildren. Each of the girls have several degrees in music, speech, expression, English, etc. The three daughters in the Purdy family have really been exceptional girls. They taught music, expression and various other subjects in the winter and went to school in the summer. Mr. Purdy says though he helped them a good deal, they were able to help themselves—and they did. The daughters are Mrs. Cecile Purdy Concannon, Mrs. Mary Beth Purdy Phillips, and Miss Pat Purdy.

Mr. Purdy has worked for 38 years for Southern Pine and Temple Lumber Company and though he never brags, he pointed out that he started as a planer foreman without ever having been a helper. We know he is a smart man because he has told us so.

When Purdy first came to Diboll he spent most of his spare time building card tables. These are really beautiful pieces of work and are made of inlaid wood—every kind of wood found in this part of the country. It took him several months to build each table and when he turned out the finished product it was truly a work of art.

Now most of Purdy's spare time is spent fishing. He has everything in the world in the way of equipment for a fisherman — a pick-up truck, a box that fits into the pick-up, another box containing a tent, boat, gas, stove, gas light, table, cot, chairs, cooking utensils, fish hooks, seine, and a thousand and one accessories

But even with all the facilities for catching fish nobody has ever seen him with a fish. Like several others around Diboll, Purdy is a great fisherman at the planer and can be seen daily with his arms extended explaining to somebody the size and the fighting qualities of the finny tribe caught by him in such abundance every time he takes off on a trip.

food for a couple of days, plus a good light, because I will personally guarantee that before it is over you will find yourself following along behind him and walking aimlessly through the woods, not knowing which way to turn. And, believe it or not, he carries two compasses with him all the time. The trouble is, according to some who have gone out with him, Purdy has so much confidence in his own opinions about everything that he disagrees with the compasses, calls them both liars and strikes out through the woods trusting his own sense of direction regardless of whether the compasses say he is traveling North, South, East or West.

Strangely enough, every time he disagrees with his compass it turns out that he was a shade wrong.

Ed Smith says that this past spring he was hunting in the bottoms and ran into Purdy not only lost, but frantically lost. Ed says that our hero was so glad to see him that he tried to kiss and hug him. At any rate, Ed saved the wandering foreman and directed him back to Highway 94 which, when Purdy's story of the different types of trees and scenery he had passed in his long walk was checked, it was found that he had missed the highway by only a hundred or so yards several different times during that particular day. Cal Sanders was with Purdy on this occasion and says he knew all the time which way to go but Purdy would not believe him, the compasses, moss on the trees, or the sun—nobody but himself. The net result was that they walked approximately thirty miles in a narrowing circle and probably did it all on a thousand acres of land.

Walter Purdy though—we will have to admit—is absolutely the most jovial fellow we know anywhere. Plus that, he is generally recognized as being one of the best planer men in the lumber industry He is an expert on planing machines and if you don't think he keeps them in perfect condition just go to the planer and ask the men who run them.

Another thing about Walter Purdy, he takes more pride in the lumber he turns out than anybody you ever saw. He looks on that lumber as something very personal to him and if it is not just exactly right he almost cries about it. To quote some of his own words: "My lumber has got to be pretty. If it isn't pretty, I stop everything and find out why."

Anybody who takes that much interest in the quality of what his department turns out should have the privilege of stamping on the side of the lumber: "Planed by Purdy." If all the lumber buyers knew him like I know him that would make it bring a two or three dollar premium per thousand because, brother, when Walter Purdy puts the finishing touches on it, you've got some real lumber.

One more thing about Purdy and then I'll get off on something else. You know, he went to college at the University of Arkansas. He says as far as the states are concerned he will take Louisiana for birth, Arkansas for knowledge, and Texas for a place to make a living.

We are not only glad that he selected Texas for the latter, we are also proud that he came with our company because he is really a top man and a swell guy.

Vacation is in full swing and everyone is hustling around try-

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WALTER PURDY

Purdy's first saw mill experience was with the Fort Smith Lumber Company at Fort Smith, Arkansas. Then he moved to DeQueen, Arkansas, and from there to the Kirby Lumber Company in Texas. While there he met a beautiful lady named Cecil Lightfoot and they were married and moved to Pineland, Texas, where Mr. Purdy started working for Temple Lumber Company. It

One of the most unusnal things about this great outdoorman—this man who spent his youth on the Mississippi River and in the swamps of Louisiana—is the fact that though he claims to know all of the very best places to find shiners and all the choice fishing spots on the Neches, every time he goes out he invariably gets lost. If you ever go with him be sure and take along enough

Quarterly Bonus Brings Smiles



In the photo above Buell Small, Cary Anthony, M. S. Ashworth and Arthur Sturrock are holding their 10% bonus money paid by Southern Pine Lumber Company in July—the second quarterly bonus paid this year. The bonus was an amount equal to ten per cent of the total earnings of each of the employees for the three months period and from the smiles on the faces of the foursome pictured here it was really welcomed. Shirley (Pierre) Daniels snapped the group at the north endof the store and says that the repair bill on his camera came o $28.25. We think he got out light!

Safety Experts

There is no question but what the work of trained safety engineers is of great value in the prevention of industrial accidents. These men make safety their business. And their reward for a job well done is the satisfaction of knowing that their observations and recommendations, when properly carried out, save grief and hardship and very often the lives of hundreds of men and women througout the country who work in American industry.

But there is another type of safety expert. His principal occupation is not safety engineering yet he is in a better position to realize the hazards of a particular job than anybody else. He knows the history of the accidents which have occurred on that particular job and he knows first hand of the dozens of near accidents that might have resulted in serious injury and possibly death. In other words, on that one particular job he knows more about safety than the safety engineer himself.

THAT MAN IS YOU!

Yes, on your own job, with your years of experience, you should be able to point out and practice the safest possible method of performing your work.

Take, for example, our jitney drivers. They know from past experience what speed they can operate jitneys on the dolly runs and still stay within the bounds of good safety practices. They know, especially when operating in the sheds, that they must be alert and ever watchful to avoid running over a fellow worker or banging into another jitney. Are not these men safety experts? They certainly are and the good record of Southern Pine jitney drivers is proof of the fact that they not only know safety, they keep safety always in mind because their job is particularly hazardous especially to the other fellow and unless they are safety conscious they know how tragic the results might be.

Take the man tailing a machine in the planer, stacking lumber on the yard, operating a power saw, working in the carpenter gang, in the shops, in the power house, in the mill—they KNOW the inevitable results of carelessness because on these very jobs they have seen accidents or near accidents that were brought about, nine times out of ten, by the man on the job just forgetting to think.

Yes, every man with experience on a certain job is a safety expert on that job. He knows the hazards. He knows the accident history of the job, he knows what a man should do on that job to be effecient and to insure that his work is done in safety. This being true, is there really an excuse for an accident?

In a great majority of cases, the answer is no.

The cause of most accidents can be traced to the humane element—the human element of carelessness. The antidote for that is safety consciousness. While we work, lets think, be alert, and realize that an accident CAN happen to us and not just to the other fellow.

You know your job, you know the hazards of the job. You know how to perform that job in a manner that will be least likely to bring on an accident. Dont ever forget it.

WORK SAFELY.

FORMER DIBOLLIANS

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Davis live in Beaumont. R. O. was principal of the Diboll school and coach of the baseball team back in 1925, 1926, and 1927. One particular high school team that won fame throughout East Texas was coached by R. O. in 1925 and starred Buster Jackson and Robert Berry as the battery, George Wilmoth, Clayton Kelley, Snooks Estes and Crack Lock in the infield with Pate Warner, Edwin Durham, Lefty Vaughn, Jake Durham, John Hendricks, and several others. Many still remember the four games series that year between Diboll and Lufkin with Jackson pitching for Diboll and Tommy Massingill on the mound for Lufkin. The series ended in a two game tie and all four contests were won or lost by scores of 1-0, 2-1, 1-0, and 2-1.

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Ed Chandler is a former Diboll High School graduate. He married Miss Ruby Miles and they live in Baytown. He has been with the Humble Oil and Regfining Company for twenty years. They have three sons, Kenneth, Joe and John.

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July Third Barbecue Rated Tops In Food, Fun and Festivities

On July 3rd Southern Pine Lumber Company, Temple-White Co., Inc., and the TSE Railroad — the Industries of Diboll—staged a barbecue for their employees that was a stem winder from start to finish and was attended by more than two thousand people.

The boy scout grounds east o town was the setting for this huge affair whch began at 11 A. M. and ended shortly after 2 P. M. when everyboy moved over to the base ball park and watched a double header ball game between the Diboll Millers and the Regal Sandwich team of Houston.

The principal speaker for the day was Martin Dies, former United States Congressman from this district and chairman of the famous Dies Committee on Un-American Activities. Mr. Dies, in his usual masterful speaking style, pointed out the many blessings of living in a country where freedom exists as in the United States as compared to the millions of men and women struggling under the iron yoke of dictatorship and forced labor.

Mr. Dies pointed out the fact that the average American working man produces more in manufactured articles than ten working men can produce in Russia, and several times more than can be produced by the working man of any other country on the globe. He discussed the horrors of slave labor in Russia where men and women work day after day under the whip of the Soviets and in the constant fear of their lives.

He pointed out the many blessings enjoyed by the American working man and stressed the fact that with our company a spirit of employee-employer cooperation and mutual good will exists on a scale unsurpassed by any other company in East Texas.

"A Company like Southern Pine Lumber Company has a real interest in the welfare of its employees" Mr. Dies said. "You and the management of this Company constitute a team — a team that, working together, has built a sound industry, a great future for yourselves and for your children. Keep this fine spirit alive — you all for the company, and the company for you all — and your future will be one of better living conditions, better working conditions, and the enjoyment of the American way of life."

After the stirring address by Mr. Dies, a sawing contest was held with three saw teams participating. The winner of the first cash prize was the team of Will Trevathan and Henry McCollum. Runner-ups were H. S. Terrell and Junior Clifford. Richie Wells presented the cash prize to the winning team.

After the saw contest dinner was announced and everybody flocked to the serving tables where barbecued beef and goat (approximately 1750 pounds) was stacked up on the plates steaming hot, cooked to perfection. Along with the barbecue the menu consisted of potato salad, pickles, onions, and a wide assortment of other delectable items. And believe me, they really went after them.

In fact, the last five people served got the last five pieces of barbecue and not a pickle, not a potato chip, not an onion was left when the affair was over. The tables were completely clean and even the ants were running around with puzzled looks on their faces wondering what in the world had happened to all the food.

After the barbecue was over, everybody went over to the baseball park where a free double header game between the Diboll Millers and Regal Sandwich of Houston was provided. The Millers won the first game and lost the second but everyone was treated to some bang-up baseball throughout the 18 innings of play.

Marcus Gipson of Lufkin furnished the sound equipment for the speaking, plus barrels of ice water for the entire crowd. We want to use this medium to thank Marcus for the many courtesies extended us on this occasion and the numerous other things he has done for the people of Diboll, completely without charge, as a gesture of friendship. Marcus is always willing and anxious to do everything for the Company or for the people of Diboll when we call upon him — and we call him often. Lets let him know we appreciate it because we really do.

In charge of the soda water sales at the barbecue was Paul (Bunny) Hogue, manager of the Diboll Millers baseball club. "Bunny," who has never been known to be careless with cash money, sold his Coca-Cola and soda water for five cents a bottle in order that people with four or five youngsters could afford to let them drink a couple of bottles of pop rather than just one or none. (Of course the main reason Bunny sold them for a nickle was because we put the squeeze on him, over his mighty protests, and he couldn't do anything else. But that part of it we want to keep quiet.

Anyway, the barbecue was a huge success. Everybody visited with their friends, milled around in the big crowd of Southern Pine and Temple-White Employees, talking, shaking hands, and enjoying the biggest outing of the Southern Pine family ever staged in Diboll.

We had a big time, and all of us join together in saying thanks to Southern Pine for a wonderful feed and a swell day al the way around!

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Take A Lesson From the Hen

Hard work means nothing to a hen. She keeps on digging worms and laying eggs, regardless o what the business prognosticators say about the outlook for this or any other year.

If the ground is hard, she scratches harder.

If it's dry, she digs deeper.

If it's wet, she digs where it's dry.

If she strikes a rock, she digs around it.

If she gets a few more hours of daylight, she gives us a few more eggs.

But always she digs up worms and turns them into hard-shelled profits as well as tender, profitable broilers.

Did you ever see a pessimistic hen? Did you ever hear of one starving to death waiting for worms to dig themselves to the surface?

Did you ever hear one cackle because work was hard?

Not on your life. They save their breath for digging and their cackles for eggs.

Succes means digging. Are you?

— Universal Engineer

Powells Enjoy Barbecue



Mr. and Mrs. Joe Powell at Southern Pine Lumber Company's big barbecue. The Powell's live at Anderson Road Crossing. Joe, who works in Hugh Timms' crew, looks like he really enjoyed the day. Note the big cigar!

A LETTER TO EMPLOYEES FROM THE MANAGEMENT

I have given a good bit of study lately to the benefits paid to our employees -under the Group Accident and Sickness Policy now in effect. In my opinion, it is inadequate to take the great financial burden of a misfortune of this type from the shoulders of our men. At present you receive the following:

1. Accident and sickness weekly benefit of $7.00.

2. Hospital room allowance of $3.00 per day.

3. Allowance for hospital extras $18.00.

4. Surgical benefits equal to 50 percent of the cost of an operation. This cost is based on a schedule which does not quite come up to the fees charged at this time by most doctors.

In addition to the group accident and sickness policy, practically all of you are paying $1.00 per month into an employees welfare fund, which is administered by an employees committee. This fund at present pdovides the following:

1. It pays up to $40.00 on any hospital bill for an employee or his dependent.

2. It provides funds for needy charity in the town of Diboll.

After much study and after taking bids from several large companies, we determined that we could increase the benefits from the group accident and sickness policy considerably by increasing the premium payment in the amount of $1.20 per month per employee. In order to do this it is recommended by the Management that the employee authorize the transfer of 75 cents from the $1.00 welfare contribution to the increased group policy. In cases where the employee does make such an authorization the company will add 45 cents to their present contribution to the group policy and the following increase in benefits without additional cost will be available to you. Here are the changes:

1. Your accident and sickness weekly benefit will be increased from $7.00 to $10.50, or an increase of 50 per cent.

2. Your hospital room allowance will be increased from $3.00 per day to $4.00 per day, or an increase of 33 per cent.

3. Your allowance for hospital extras will be increased from $18.00 to $60.00, or an increase of 233 per cent.

4. Your surgical benefits will be increased to 100 per cent of cost as set out in the approved schedule of rates. This means that you will receive from $5.00 to $150.00 for an operation, the amount of the benefit being determined by the type of operation you or your dependents undergo.

As stated above, 75 cents of your present welfare contribution will be transferred to the group accident policy, which will leave 25 cents in the emergency fund, as usual for special needy charity cases. It is estimated that this 25 cents will be adequate to carry on this work for the time being. It is our sincere wish and beleif that in the not too distant future we will be able to eliminate this voluntary 25 cent charge for charity funds as a result of the new Coca-Cola machine employee welfare fund.

The plan is entirely voluntary. You can leave your insurance and welfare funds as they are now, or you can change to the new plan as outlined above.

It is a pleasure to announce this additional free insurance because we believe the plan comes nearer meeting the requirements of our people than any other plan we might adopt.

Sincerely yours,
Southern Pine Lumber Co.
BY: Arthur Temple, Jr.

Man Wanted

WANTED: A man for hard work and rapid promotion; a man who can find things to be done without the help of a manager and three assistants.

A man who gets to work on time in the morning and does not imperil the lives of others in an attempt to be first out of the plant at night.

A man who listens carefully when he is spoken to and asks only enough questions to insure the accurate carrying out of instructions.

A man who moves quickly and makes as little noise as possible about it.

A man who looks you straight in the eye and tells the truth every time.

A man who does not pity himself for having to work.

A man who is neat in appearance.

A man who does not sulk for an hour's overtime in emergencies.

A man who is cheerful, courteous to everyone, and determined to make good.

This man is wanted everywhere.

Shower Honors Jerry Hall

On the evening of July 27, the people of Diboll gave a shower for little Jerry Hall, age 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan B. Hall. Jerry, you know, was born a blue baby which means that a defect in the artery leading from his heart to his lungs makes it impossible for him to get the same amount of oxygen that normal little boys get. He can't play and run and have a big time simply because his blood stream cannot supply the necessary oxygen.

Until recently blue babies were thought to be incurable and they seldom lived past the age of 13. Then Dr. Alfred Blalock and Dr. Helen Toussig of Johns Hopkins at Baltimore discovered a method whereby the defective artery from the heart of a blue baby could be by-passed and the situation corrected by surgery. Dr. Blalock made an address some months ago in Houston on the subject of blue baby operations and Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Hall were there to hear him. Upon their return to Diboll they got in touch with Dr. J. S. Clement of Lufkin who wrote Drs. Blalock and Toussig at Johns Hopkins and arranged an appointment for little Jerry in Baltimore. Now, on August 23, Mr. and Mrs. Hall and Jerry will go there where the famous doctors will examine him and perform the operation that will correct the trouble and make Jerry a normal little boy, full of energy, full of life, and perfectly healthy in every respect.

At the shower on July 27, held at the community center in Diboll, people brought pajamas, shirts, books, toys, and a wide assortment of everything that a little boy needs while in the hospital. In addition to these gifts, Hall was presented with $883.00 in cash—more than $200 of which was from his friends in Lufkin—all contributed by the people who know the family and little Jerry to help defray some of the expenses.

The Halls have asked us to use this as a medium by which they can express their deep appreciation and gratitude to the people who contributed the gifts of cloth.s and money toward the operation for little Jerry. They are thankful—thankful that they live in a town like Diboll where the people so generously demonstrate the spirit of brotherly love and they are thankful to be able, with the help of their neighbors, to go to Baltimore and have Jerry attended by two of the greatest surgeons in the world.

And they are most thankful that there is such a good chance that in a few months Jerry will be perfectly well—and before long maybe captain of the baseball team.

Insurance statistics show that for every man of 85 years of agg there are seven women. But it's too late then!

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Making a roof from the weather,
Or building a house for a king,
Only by working together
Have men accomplished a thing.

Age or lack of experience do not count. There isn't any limit, except his own ambition, to the number or size of the jobs he can get. He is wanted in every big business. — Industrial Management Bulletin

By Working Together We Can Make Diboll a Model Saw Mill City—Let 's Get Together and DO THE JOB!

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Around the Town

By FREDDIE LEWIS Pinchhiting for E. M. BRADLEY

On Thursday night July 22, Mr. Arthur Temple, Jr. spoke to a capacity crowd at Shilo Baptist Church. The meeting was originally planned to be held at the K. P. hall but was moved to the church because of the fact that the hall did not have sufficient seating capacity. And even the spacious church was too small because it was filled completely and there were as many outside the church as there were inside to hear the principal speaker of the occasion.

Before Mr. Temple was introduced the chairman of the Brotherhood, Dave O'Neal, arranged for a short spiritual program by choir No. 1 and choir No. 2, of the spiritual side of Lufkin, Texas, together with the gospel singers of Diboll. Among the selections they sang were "In the Upper Room," "Cool Down Here," "Ring them Bells," and "Working on a Building."

Dave O'Neal introduced Mr. Jake Durham, and Mr. Durham in turn introduced Mr. Temple. Mr. Temple lost no time in getting right down to brass tacks in handing out his message to the people. He used the title of one of the songs as his theme: "Working on a Building." He pointed out that in any building the foundation must be of durable and sound material—one that is capable of holding up the proposed structure for a long, long time to come. He said that he was not working on a one year or two, or ten year plan for Diboll because those were much too temporary. Instead, he was building on a plan that would go on and on and be in effect here a hundred years from now. In any plan, or any railroad, there are stations along the way. Some of those already passed in the short span of a few months this year are as follows:

We have a new ambulance for the convenience and the economy of the people of Diboll. a second Doctor — Dr. Ben Spivey — who recently moved into one of the new houses south of town; we have a new house, a picture of which is in this issue of the Buzz Saw for colored employees of Southern Pine Lumber Company with plans calling for many more to be constructed one after another; we have a new clinic, many dust-free streets that are wider and smoother than any we have had before; we have new all steel labor buses for our labor crews with more to come as soon as they can be built; we have a new insurance plan and hospitalization set up that will be a wonderful thing for all the people; and all these things are just the beginning of the big plan referred to by Mr. Temple.

Some of the stations farther down the line that we will reach that are already definitely on the improvement schedule for Diboll are the new gymnasium for H. G. Temple High School, a complete sewerage system for the town, a new dentist to move into the present doctors office within a short time, the new million dollar hospital at Lufkin to which our company contributed for every employee, the new ice plant which will soon be built on the south end of the store—and many new houses for white and colored employees completely equipped and modern in every respect and with rent about a third what rents are in other towns, a retirement plan for all Southern Pine employees which will be one of the finest things of all, improvements in working conditions, housing facilities, and so many more things that we do not have the space to tell you about them all.

All these are stations along the way and as each one is reached we look forward to the next one, and the next, and so on.

In his talk Mr. Temple made it plain and put emphasis on the fact that every man and woman and child in Diboll had a part to play in this "Working on a Building" plan. One of the most important ingredients that go into the foundation of this building we are building is cooperation. If the people of Diboll will cooperate with the company, if they work hard and think straight, ours will be the best town to live in, in this part of the country, by far. We will have something that will be permanent and the very best in living conditions and working conditions. All we have to do is cooperate and be loyal to the man who is being loyal to us and showing his loyalty by the many worthwhile projects he has already completed in Diboll and the many more on schedule for the near future.

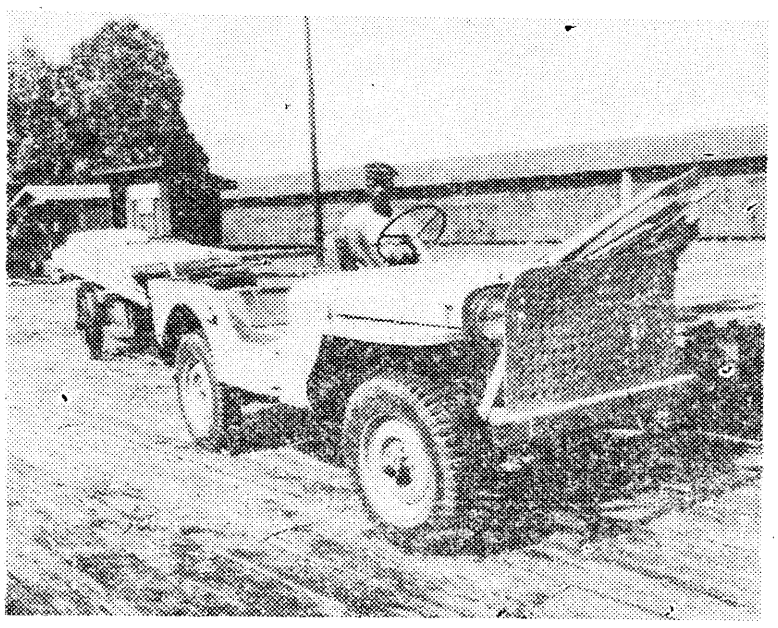
Every time Mr. Temple discussed the stations in his plan or got over some point, the applause of the crowd showed that there was no doubt at all but what everybody was pleased with his message as well as pleased to have the manager at their brotherhood meeting. In other words, the reaction of the people that evening showed that they were ready to supply this chief material (Cooperation) which will be used in Building our Building — Diboll.

A church business meeting was held at Rogers Cafe on July 15th, at one p. m. There were sixteen members of this committee present and it was held in the private dining room of Rogers Cafe with Roscoe Rogers's wife as hostess.

Among those present at this meeting were the Reverend R. B.

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Jeep Is Last Word In Jitneys



Above is Southern Pine Lumber Company's jeep jitney with Fred Randolph at the wheel. According to Fred, the jeep can run rings around the old type jitneys on the dolly way and can pull any two of the others without looking back. The jeep pulls lumber from the sheds to the planer and logs two machines—the sizer and end matcher. Soon it is expected that all of the old-type jitneys will be replaced by jeeps.

Get Ready For FREDDIE . . :

The Diboll Dragons baseball team snapped out of a five game losing streak by hanging up two victories, beating Kilgore by a score of 5-4 on July 4 and Center by a score of 6-5 on July 18. It seems that the Dragons have been troubled considerably by the torrid heat wave we have been going through lately with three or four players getting over heated and with not enough reserves to replace them properly. At any rate, even though the opposing team was playing in the same temperature on the diamond, the Dragons dropped five before they got their breath and put on the winner's cap.

Manager Spikes, in a club house batting practice, applied a treat to beat the heat by telling the team that it was a combination of three hot things that was slapping them down every Sunday—the sun, the opposing team, and the umpire. That seemed to straighten them out and they dropped the fainting spells temporarily.

One of the losses Diboll suffered happened in Oakdale, Louisiana, on June 27, when we came out the little end of the horn by a score of 9 to 3 with the Pelican State Team. Oakdale went to town in the fifth inning when the team hit a round on two hits, three errors, and one base home ball, scoring five runs.

Diboll scored one run in the first inning when Jeff, the lead off man, poked a triple to right field and scored a minute later when Oree flew out to center field. Diboll scored two more in the fourth on one error, a hit batter, and one hit. That was all the scoring for the Dragons.

Sonnyman, the 18-year-old curve ball artist, of Diboll Dragons, joined the line up against the hard hitting Kilgore team on July 4, and got credit for the victory after Diboll nosed them out 5 to 4. This boy Sonnyman works like a veteran out on the pitcher's mound. He's got a fast ball, a good change of pace, and a curve ball that is really a lulu.

The Dragons went over to Center on their last road trip, July 18, and won another game 6 to 5. Jones, the young south paw on the Dragon's team came off the pitcher's mound in the early part of the game and Sonnyman was again called in to take over the hurling. Again he turned in a wonderful performance by allowing only five scattered hits the remaining eight and one third innings of the contest. This made the second win for Sonnyman in as many tries and it is the belief of this column that he will get better and better and develop into one of the finest pitchers we've seen in many a day.



FREDDIE LEWIS

Roach has replaced Chalk as captain of the team as Chalk has been sick and unable to perform his duties. Roach seems to take well his assignment and is giving it all he has. Among other improvements, Roach has gotten the weeds cut out of the oufield and around the infield and has gotten the playing grounds looking a hundred per cent better.

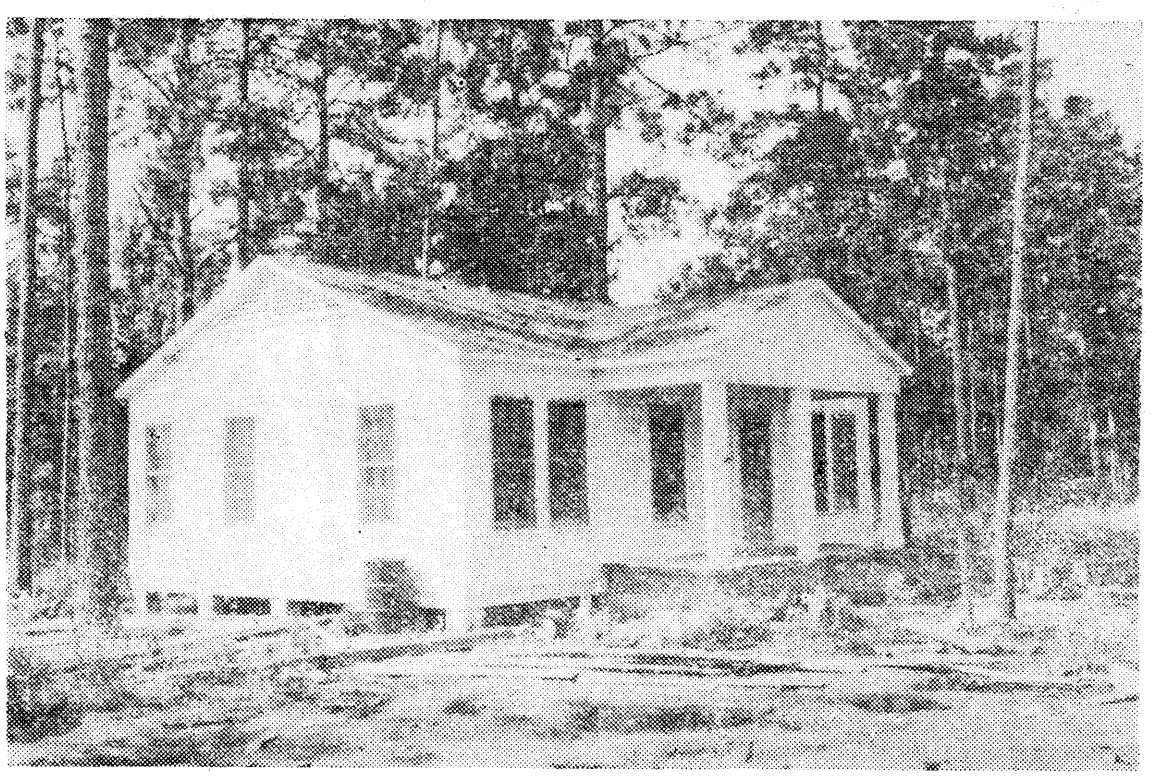
Below is the box score of the game between Diboll and Kilgore played on July 18 at Kilgore:

KILGORE	Ab	R	H
Blontan, c	5	2	2
Pegue, 2b	4	0	1
Davis, 1b	1	0	0
J. Pegue, 1b	2	0	0
Washington, 1f	3	0	1
Meadith, ss	4	0	0
Reese, 3b	3	1	1
Britt, rf	3	0	0
*Thorn, rf	0	1	0
Jeffry, cf	4	0	0
	29	4	5

* Walked for Britt in 9th

DIBOLL	Ab	R.	H.
Jeff, 2b, 3b	5	1	1
Allen, 3b	1	1	1
Roach, 2b	1	0	1
O'Ree, cf	5	0	0
Jellie, 1f	4	1	1
F. Randolph, Ss	3	0	1
Lewis, 1b	4	0	1
White, c	3	0	0
Barnes, rf	2	0	0
Williams, rf	2	1	1
Sonnyman, p	2	0	0
Williams, p	2	1	0
	38	5	7

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Pictured above is the first of many new houses to be constructed for colored employees of Southern Pine Lumber Company at Diboll. Located on the South side of the colored section of town in the wooded area north of Conn's lake, this new house has all modern conveniences including bath room, natural gas, concrete front and back porch, extra electrical outlets, and many other features that go into a comfortable modern home. The above house will rent for approximately $18.00 per month which will include water, free garbage collection, and many other facilities not enjoyed by the renter of a house in most other East Texas towns. Present plans call for the building of an entire new addition in this part of Diboll. Compare this house with any similar house in other towns and we believe you will find nothing like it at such low rental. Southern Pine Lumber Company is building these houses to improve the living conditions of its employees, to brighten the appearance of the town, and to make Diboll a model community without parallel in East Texas.

Get In Step With Diboll's Modernization Program and Help To make It a Complete and Lasting Success!

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Rat Tales—

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shop crew is working, however, ing to make the most of it. The during vacation week and will take their 40 hours extra pay because there are a lot of things that must be done while the mill is shut down, and the shop boys are just the ones to do it!

A vacation would help everybody a great deal if you could stay at the house and rest. But for a married man there's no such thing. The wives stay awake at night trying to figure up things to make the old man do when he gets to the house and when vacation time rolls around she has got so many chores on the schedule for the week that it would take any ordinary man three months to complete them all. If you say anything about the fact that you work hard for a year and you are entitled to sit around for a few days and relax, she always comes back at you by saying "Well, I don't get a vacation and the only way I could get one would be for you to quit eating for six or seven days." Then she will look at you as if she wished you would, not for seven days, not for seven weeks, but forever.

A great majority of Diboll vacationists are camping and fishing on the Neches river. In fact, fishermen are so thick that they probably outnumber the fish. They left here with tents, blankets, groceries, cooking utensils, and all kind of fishing equipment and as they departed they were all smiles and filled with optomism. The dog was wagging his tail, the children were laughing and playing, the old lady was happy and smiling and the whole bunch was just tickled to death as he drove away with dreams of a wonderful outing. Three or four days later when they drive back into town the children are crying, the doy is curled up with his tail between his legs, the old lady is griping, and the poor old boy who has worked so hard to earn a few days rest is looking forward to Monday morning when he can go on the job—and rest.

Long time ago, you know, most people took off during vacation time and visited their relatives. In fact, it was not at all unusual when I was a young fellow for an entire family to go visit the wife's folks or the husband's folks and stay three or four weeks—then make excuses for having to leave, after arguing back and forth for several days on the question of why they have to go in the first place.

Nowdays, with the cost of living so high, a man taking his family to visit his own folks or his wife's folks is greeted in the same manner that a conductor on a railroad used to greet Jesse James.

A fellow told me one time that he had a cousin by the name of Eddie that his family hadn't seen in many years and knew nothing about except that he was their legal and bonafide relative. One day he says cousin Eddie rode up to their house on a horse wearing a coonskin cap and announced that he would be with them for a couple of days. He stayed 21 years, didn't hit a tap, and nobody thought anything about it.

Nowadays, if such a character would drive up unannounced they would grab the cap for a fur piece, eat the horse, and toss him out on his ear first thing in the morning. Take it easy this vacation week if you can—and I will see you next time.

Around the Town—

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Moody, pastor of Perry Chapel C. M. E. Church; Rev. Fountain of B. B. Tabernacle of Houston, Texas; Rev. Allen of Beaumont; Rev. Haynes of Nacogdoches; P. L. Lee, Sally Smith. Maud Langrum, and a host of others.

A wonderful dinner was prepared by Rogers and his wife which was served by Sarah Nash, Theomay Cabe, and others.

Lillie Mae Simmons, a teacher in our school and wife of Amos Simmons departed for Los Angeles, California, on July 14th., and arrived there on July 17th. Lillie Mae notified her home by telegram immediately after or—riving at her destination otherwise there might have been one of the biggest woman hunts ever staged west of the Mississippi because Amos was nervously awaiting some news. In fact, we nicknamed him "Anxious Amos."

Lilly Mae is visiting a sister in Los Angeles and will also pay her daughter-in-law Armena Spencer a visit. She resides in Rosemond, California. In Los Angeles Lilly Mae is visiting Ernestiie Collins, her sister.

Willie Mathies returned from California a month ago where she spent three months visiting her children. She visited Annie Mae Williams of Oakland, California, Naoma Pruitt of Richmond, Cal., and a son Oron Matheis of Velao, California. She reports that her visit was very pleasant and that she enjoyed it immensely.

Willie Mathies took the overland route and returned home via Chicago, Illinois, where she joined her brother Ernest Hicks who came to Diboll with her. After spending a short time here, Ernest went on to Houston to visit with his two brothers, Garfield and Melvin Hicks.

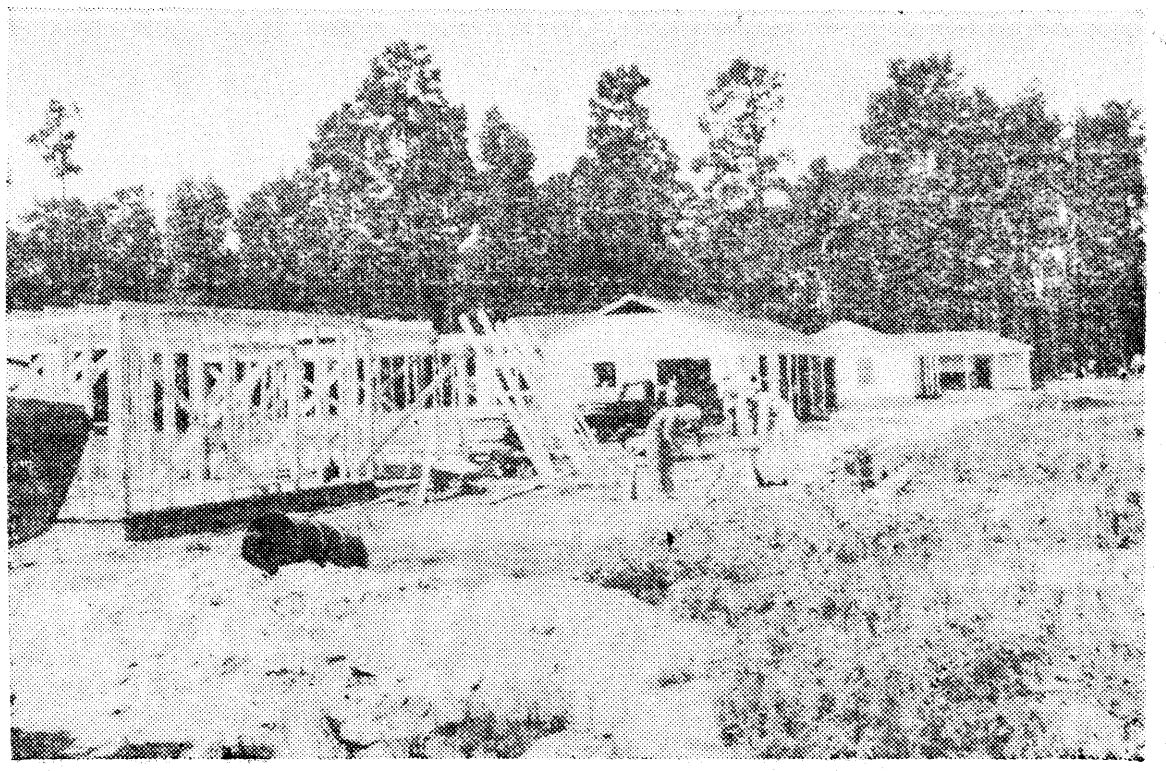
Israel Ligon left here on July 17th for his home in St. Louis, Mo. after spending ten or twelve days here with relatives and friends. Israel was once a citizen of Diboll and was liked by everyone. He worked on the car line at the planer, at the dry kiln, and on the Hardwood yard. He was a good worker and was always on the yard, and when he departed from Diboll to make St. Louis his home everyone hated to see him go. He is employed now as a welder in St. Louis. You may reach him at this address: 1129 North Leonard Street, St. Louis 6, Mo.

Lillie Mae Clark was funeralized Sunday July 25th, at the Baptist church with Rev. C. Christwell officiating. The body was transferred to Camden for burial with the Lattimore Funeral Home of Lufkin in charge. Lillie Mae was survived by four daughters, Atlece Whitmill, Zeola Scott, Bobby Scott, Bobby Jean Teal, and and Jake Taylor, Jr. Two grandchildren: Charles Mac and Bobby James Clark. She passed away on July 18, and the sympathy of all our town is extended to James, the children and the grand-children in their hour of sorrow.

Jaik Goff died July 21, and was funeralized July 25 at the Baptist church with the Rev. R. B. Moody officiating. Jack Goff was a member and treasurer of the A. F. & A. M. Masonic Lodge and he was buried with Masonic honors. He is survived by his wife, Rosie Goff, four daughters, Odessa Honory, Adell Smith, Idell Glace and Everline Bowers, and one brother, Hinley Goff.

Hattie Green Kees, former graduate of H. G. Temple high school but now teaching school in Bastrop, La., was a visitor to her mother and other relatives for Diboll as well as friends during the 4th of July holidays. Hattie was active and popular in social work when she lived here in Diboll. She had to return immediately after the holidays to Bastrop where she is teaching a term in summer school.

MODERNIZATION PROGRAM IN FULL SWING AT DIBOLL



Above is a view of the six-unit housing project on the South side of Diboll which is being carried out by Southern Pine Lumber Company for its employees. The construction work is part of the Company's modernization program.

Temple-White Employees Feted At Cypress Lake Fishing Party July 24

Saturday afternoon and Saturday night of July 24 will be a well remembered date for the Supervisors of the Temple—White gang as they were treated to a feast, with all the trimmings, on a fishing party by their leader Mr. H. C. White down on Cypress Lake. Although the "large noes" got away and not too many of the "small ones" caught, everyone had a wonderful time, and we all say "hats-off" to the Chief cook and bottle washer, Louis Landers, who prepared such a fine meal for supper. And also, to Mrs. Weber for preparing such a tasty roast for the occasion.

Carl Sefeld, an out-of-town visitor to Mr. White was along and Carl knows now why it is necessary to always carry "Snake Medicine" along when going fishing in these parts of the woods. Perhaps a pair of wings would help a little bit.

Everyone is wondering if Moody Smith and Mr. Weber have learned to count the difference from 7 to 29. Well, just for their information, the difference would be 22, or almost a case? Maybe they should go back to school and get an education and then they would not bother people in figuring their problems.

After chow call, the usual "round-table" conference was held and all the truthful events of hunting, fishing, ball playing, etc., was put before the house. It is a decided question that he "Mighty Davis" is the only ball plaer ever known. And he didn't get under the table to tell it either. Why doesn'e Lamar Bunch stick to his "grinnle" fishing altogeher when out on trips like this? Someone said Mr. White uses reducing compound on his baits when fishing, for the fish are all small when he pulls them to the top of the water but to watch him surge with his rod and reel you'd think he had a sea monster. It's easy to understand why Buster Seekings would get lost going home from the affair, but why would he get off on the wrong road going down there?

In any event everyone says thanks to Mr. White and hopes to join together again soon.

Herbert C. White Heads Lufkin Air Reserve Squadron

A U. S. Air Force Reserve Squadron has been organized in White, Jr., 914 South Raguet St., Lufkin with Major Herbert C, commanding.

The squadron, to be known as the 355th Composite Squadron, quarters in the Army and Air has established temporary head-Force recruiting station,, 106 Burke Avenue.

Major White has announced appointment of these officers to his staff: Capt. Herbert C. Hayes, Deputy Commanding Officer; Capt. William K. Modrall, Operations Officer; 1st. Lt. Fred E. Clarke, Jr., Adjutant; 1st. Lt. Robert B. Peebles, Jr., Personnel Officer; 1st. Lt. John M. Cluck, Engineering Officer; 1st. Lt. Johnnye U. Foster, Training Aids Officer, and 1st. Lt. Joseph W. Fink, Communications Officer.

The purpose of the squadron is to provide ground school and flight training for reserve offi-

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Jim Hogue—

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they tell me that he never has.

Year before last Jim Hogue retired after 46 years with Southern Pine Lumber Company. During that 46 years he has had many experiences and a book could be written about them with dozens left over for good measure. In this short space, however, we can only say that Jim has been one of the Company's best employees, he is likeable and entertaining (he can imitate anybody down to a fine point), and we all join in saluting him as an all around good fellow.

KNOW YOUR FOREMAN . . .

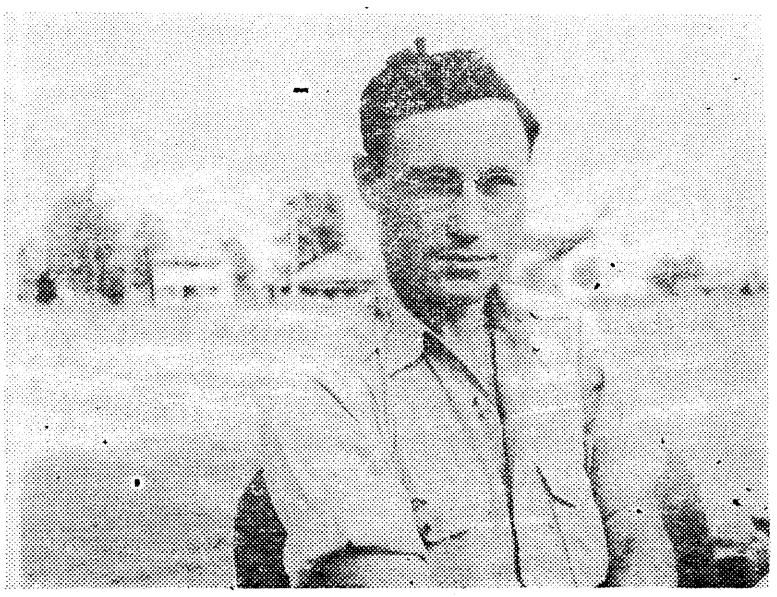


Pictured above is N. B. Hall, foreman of the electrical crew. He and his "Hot Shots" have the responsibility of keeping the wires humming all over town and throughout the plant on a 24-hour basis. He works on every type of electrical equipment from the giant turbine at Mill One to air-conditioning units, generators, electric motors of all types and the hundreds of electrical installations all over Diboll. He is one of Southern Pine Lumber Company's best liked men—and in his line he is tops!

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GRADUATE FORESTER JOINS SOUTHERN PINE PERSONNEL



PETE MARTINELL

On July 1, 1948, Southern Pine Lumber Company, working throuhg the cooperation of the Southern Pine Association and Duke University at Durham, N. C., arranged for Pete Martinelli, a recent graduate of Duke in the School of Forestry with a masters degree, to be added to Kenneth Nelson's crew in the Timber Department.

Martinelli is a native of Covington, Virginia, is 26 years old, unmarried, and a veteran of World War II. He graduated from the Covington high school, then enrolled in the School of Forestry at Duke University in 1940 where he spent three years then went into the army in 1943 for three years, then back to Duke University for two more years before getting his masters degree in Forestry.

The addition of Martinelli to Southern Pine Lumber Company's Timber Department is part of a plan suggested by Dean Korstian of Duke University at a meeting some months ago of the Southern Pine Association in New Orleans. Mr. Arthur Temple of Texarkana heard Dean Korstian's address to that group in which he outlined the need for experienced training in actual timber work for graduate students from the School of Forestry at Duke University.

Under the plan, graduates of the School of Forestry at Duke will spend at least one year with a lumber company which practices advance forestry methods such as selective cutting, reforestration, pulpwood thinning, and tree farming. At the end of one year the graduate student will get a certificate from the Company to the effect that he has had welve months experience training and setting forth his qualifications based on observation during the period, for forestry work. Duke University, the Southern Pine Association, and the Company with whom he has worked then get together and place him in a suitable job in forestry work either with this same company or with some other recognized lumber company. It is, in effect, a post-graduate course in forestry—a post-graduate course of practical experience.

Martinelli, along with Bobby Farley, Billy McKinney, Leon Ivey, and Willie Neal, all members of Kenneth Nelson's timber crew—marks the trees, selects pulp wood and saw timber, establishes boundary lines, cruises and estimates prospective timber acquisitions, works with experimental timber tracts, tree poisoning programs, and a wide variety of other duties in connection with progressive and scientific timber work being carried on by Southern Pine Lumber Company.

This is another step by Southern Pine in its program of modernization, perpetual timber reserve, and the latest methods and practices of timber growth and care. It is an opportunity for any graduate forester to have the best possible type of experience training and an opportunity for Southern Pine Lumber Company to acquire the best trained men to carry on and insure that the timber crop harvested from year to year for saw logs will constantly improve.

Diboll Cooking Clinic A Success

Good attendance was reported at the pressure cooker clinic held at the Diboll community center on July 14. Miss Faye Wilson, homemaking teacher at Central consolidated school, Pollok, was in charge of the demonstration. Eight cookers were tested. The clinic was sponsored by Mrs. G. S. Green, homemaking teacher at Diboll, as a result of the exchange program between the two schools as part of the work done under the twelve months program being carried out. for the first time this year.

Both high school girls and adults who attended the clinic were very pleased in having Miss Wilson bring such a useful project to the community. The group learned that testing cookers regularly serves as a safety measure, helps to prevent spoilage and loss of food value and darkening from overcooking. Mrs. Ben Donahoe, school lunch supervisor, was granted the opportunity of having the cookers belonging to the cafeteria tested.

The test was made possible through the courtesy of Miss Sue Hawthorn, county home demonstration agent, who loaned the necessary equipment for our use. New guages to replace faulty ones are available at all leading hardware stores and all users of pressure cooking equipment are urged to keep them in good working order with regular testings.

When you argue with a fool, be sure he isn't similarly engaged.

Temple - White Forms Skeet Club

The Diboll Skeet Club has been completed except for minor construction, and the grand opening of the club has been set for July 31. Mr. Edwin Spencer of the Remington Arms Co. and expert shot from Waco is scheduled to be at the opening to show the members of the skeet club some good shooting and to help in formulating club policies.

The members of the skeet club want to take this opportunity to thank the following individuals, concerns, and crews for their help. Without their assistance, the skeet club could not have been built:

Southern Pine Lumber Co., Temple-White Co., A. R. Weber, Ed Farley, Ed Smith and Crew, W. Jackson and Crew, Winders and Crew, Lamar Bunch, Welding Crew, Stovall White, Ollie Johnson, Collis Ryan, Ed Watson, Del Scoggins, Moody Smith, Pete Sumners, A. Porter, W. Morgan, J. Wilkerson, V. Johnson, Edwin Spencer.

There are now twenty members in the club, but there will always be room for new members. We cordially invite everyone who is interested to contact Mr. A. Weber or H. White, Jr. The cost of joining is $13.00. This entitles the members to the use of the club and permits them to buy shells from the club at cost, which is considerably under the retail price.

Later, after the club has been fully organized, we expect to have competitive shoots with other clubs.. Whether or not we are ever able to have competitive shoots, we are going to have a lot of fun on the field and there will be keen competition among the members to determine who is the best shot.

The field was completed with a minimum of cost and it is to be a non-profit organization for the enjoyment of members. All people who use a shot gun should join not only to improve their shooting, but also to learn a few rules they didn't know about safe gun handling. The improved shooting you will do next year will more than pay for itself, and you will enjoy your hunting a lot more.

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cers and enlisted men residing in Angelina, Trinity, Houston, Tyler, and Polk counties. A short wave radio has been promised the squadron which will place it on the Ellington Field short wave network. This will give radio men training activities between Lufkin and Ellington Field.

The command hopes that the Ellington Field anthorities will permit the squadron to conduct training at the new Angelina county airport at Burke. If not, air lift will be furnished to Ellington Field when flight training is conducted.

Major White has announced that legislation has been passed by congress placing all organized Air Force Reservists on the same pay status as National Guardsmen and a 20 year retirement plan for both officers and enlisted men. He also emphasized that the squadron is a training school and not an organization designed for mobilization in time of war. All reservists will be mobilized individually and integrated into the regular Air Force or called up with Reserve Combat groups in the event of war.

Air Force Reservists who are interested in becoming members of the squadron are urged to contact one of the staff officers or write to Major White at squadron headquarters, P. O. Box 699, Lufkin, Texas. Regular training schedules will be announced later.

CO-OPERATION

All have a share in the beauty,
All have a part in the plan,
What does it matter what duty
Falls to the lot of man?

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